

# Dark Radiance

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How absurd it is to compress God  
Into glowing lancet windows constrained  
By mullions, or to decant Him  
Glittering into font or chalice.  
Christ cannot be contained. The Creator  
Is surely not restricted to one People  
Or one Planet. We cannot know Him.  
He is The Knower but always Unknown,  
Nurturing new life in obscurity,  
Speaking from the place of fear, out of eclipse.  
God inhabits Absence, He complements  
The Void. He shines perpetually with  
Dark radiance in the vacuum between worlds.  
Lively in death; vibrant in silence;  
Serene in fear; brilliant in darkness.

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